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Requirements re China National Foreign Trade Companies

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1. In September a [REDACTED] industrial and business delegation met with a Chinese committee composed of, among others, the managers of "various" State-operated trading companies.

2. We are particularly interested in obtaining more information about these foreign trade companies, and in particular, the following:

a. The present China National foreign trade companies, their branch offices, managers, and functions. (These companies can be distinguished from others, for they are subordinate to the Ministry of Foreign Trade).

b. And especially the past and present relationships between CNITC and the other foreign trade companies.

3. It is possible that other Western businessmen who have had contacts with the Chinese Communists may also be able to answer these questions.

Degree of Need: Standard

Target Date: Soon as possible

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